

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (*Currently Amended*) A multifunction telephone, comprising:

transmit circuit means for transmitting telephony signals;

receive circuit means for receiving telephony signals;

a microphone electrically connect to the transmit circuit means;

a speaker electrically connected to the receive circuit means;

a keypad electrically connected to said transmit circuit means and said receive circuit means for entering control signals;

audio means for selecting and generating audio from a plurality of sources;

said audio means coupled to said transmit circuit means, said transmit circuit means simultaneously transmitting audio generated from said audio means upon telephonic communications; and

[[muting]] means for controlling the injection of the audio means into the speaker and into the transmit circuit means, said means for controlling including volume and mute controls;

whereby audio, generated by the audio means, may be heard by a user of the telephone and by a telephonically connected user.

Claim 2. (*Currently Amended*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 1, wherein said [[muting]] means [[comprises]] for controlling includes a microprocessor [[means]] and a circuit [[means]] for interpreting and implementing muting and volume options selected by the user.

Claim 3. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 1, wherein said audio means includes a radio receiver and means for tuning said radio receiver to a desired wireless transmitting station.

Claim 4. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 3, wherein said radio receiver comprises at least one device selected from the group consisting of an AM radio, an FM radio, a satellite radio, and a radiotelephone.

Claim 5. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 1, wherein said audio means comprises at least one device selected from the group consisting of an MP3 player, a CD player, and a cassette player.

Claim 6. (*Canceled*)

Claim 7. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 1, wherein the said transmit circuit means and said receive circuit means are configured for wireless cellular telephone communications.

Claim 8. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 1, wherein the multifunction telephone further includes a base module housing said transmit circuit means and said receive circuit means, a handset removably attached to the base module, and a cable electrically connected to the base module and adapted for connection to a telephone network.

Claim 9. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 8, wherein said handset is a cordless handset, electronically communicating with said base module over a wireless electronic medium.

Claim 10. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 8, wherein said audio means is disposed in the base module.

Claim 11. (*Currently Amended*) A multifunction telephone, comprising:

a cellular telephone having transmit and receive circuit means for transmitting and receiving telephony signals, respectively;

audio means for selecting and generating audio from a plurality of sources;

said audio means coupled to said transmit and receive circuit means, said transmit and receive circuit means simultaneously transmitting audio generated from said audio means upon telephonic communications;

a speaker electrically connected to the receive circuit means;

muting means for controlling the injection of audio generated by the audio means into the speaker and into the transmit circuit means; and

means for adjusting [[the source and]] volume of the audio;

whereby audio, generated by the audio means, may be selectively heard by the user of the telephone and a telephonically connected user.

Claim 12. (*Original*) The multifunction telephone according to claim 11, wherein said audio means comprises at least one device selected from the group consisting of an MP3 player, a CD player, a cassette player, and a radio receiver.